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Applicant : Douglas J. LaCount et al. Art Unit : 1636
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated April 20, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-14 and 16-17.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 2 month(s) to and including September 20, 2004 is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$165 for the appeal fee is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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